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In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under Rules 56, 97 and 98 of the Rules of Practice for Patent Cases (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98 respectively), the following references are provided for the Examiner. Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with a completed form PTO-1449.

- 1. U.S. Patent No. 5,084,286 to Moody;
- 2. U.S. Patent No. 5,431,937 to Kandl et al.;

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/898,352 Applicant: Crider, et al.

- 3. U.S. Patent No. 6,040,013 to Karales; and
- 4. U.S. Patent No. 6,113,959 to Ludwig.

These references are cited only as constituting the closest art of which applicant is aware. It is respectfully submitted that the claims patentably define over all of the above references.

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